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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: NAKAMOTO et al

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For: Semiconductor Manufacturing Apparatus And Its  
Diagnosis Apparatus And Operating System

Art Unit: 2125

Examiner: J. Gandhi

**AMENDMENT**

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December 23, 2004

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2004. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.